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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James A. Spudich *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/486,480  
Filed: 10/25/00  
Entitled: **Reversible Immobilization of Arginine-Tagged Moieties On A Silicate Surface**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED DECEMBER 13, 2002**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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By: Mary Ellen White

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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2002, with a three month period for response set to expire March 13, 2003. This Response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time in which to Respond for one month, and is therefore timely filed; therefore, no further fees are believed to be due with this Response. However, if necessary, please charge any additional fees due, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-1290.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A clean version of rewritten and/or added paragraphs and/or claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.121(b)(1)(i-ii) and 1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 3

of this communication. A marked-up version of the rewritten paragraphs and/or claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.121(b)(1)(iii) and 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II.